

Yet another dormitory resurrected



Warner Hall viewed from Bodine Hall's eighth floor social lounge

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

Warner was a hall that played a prominent role in the yearbooks of UB and there now seems to be a chance that it may do so once again as UB opens up yet another dormant building

Warner hall is to be reopened to deal with the surge of new students who want to experience the joys of campus living. The tremendous

amount of freshmen and transfer students combined with the number of returning students, even accounting for the loss of those who graduated or transferred out was what prompted this decision.

It is a massive hall with eight floors, and a basement too. In a feasibility study carried out by the university, it was rated as an effective and efficient hall to open. "It has a good capacity and is in a good location," said David

Ostreicher, director of Residential Life and Judicial Affairs. Among the other halls considered by upper administration were South hall, North hall, Chaffee, and Shine hall.

There is extensive renovation that is being carried out and may amount to \$4.7 million dollars by completion. The entire inside of the hall was redone and new fire systems, sprinkler systems, windows, ceilings and elevators were installed. To modernize it, the occupants will also have access to the Internet, cable, and in the hot summer months, to air conditioning.

Warner has been set aside for Chiropractic, Naturopathic, and graduate students who may be wanting more privacy and quiet than most undergraduate students. At present, a tentative number of 50, 25 women and 25 men, has been set for the occupancy of the top two floors.

A new security system will

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Orientation ends with a splash!

by Lucas Mc Cloud

On August 26, the University of Bridgeport officially welcomed the Class of 2002 into its purple and white arms. On this day, international students began arriving at their new home for the next four years. The next day saw the arrival of domestic students, with exactly the same concept in mind.

As usual, Edina Oestreicher, director of Student Programming, and crew planned and coordinated what is quaintly known as W.O.W., or Week of Welcome.

When students began arriv-

Residential Life, Dawn Valenti, director of International Affairs, and representatives from banks, cable, and telephone companies were on-hand to deal with student concerns.

However, the process was not as smooth as could be. "Registration was very tough, as the lines for the advisors were very long. Plus, we could not even leave the line to get food at lunch because we would probably lose our place," said Sampurna Raj Shrestha, a new student. After dealing with the Student Center, most students began the arduous task of moving into their dorm room.

After a long day of trying to figure out where to go and who to do it with, most students took advantage of the activities that Ms. Oestreicher and company had planned for them.

The first day saw a barbecue put on by the Marriott, along with a movie night sponsored by the orientation staff. The next couple of days saw another movie night, a trip to the Bronx Zoo and New York City, a bingo night, and a party sponsored by the Dean of Students, Janet Merritt.

At bingo night, over 100 students showed up to try and win some of the bounty, which included mugs, shirts, CDs, posters, plus several mystery prizes. Orientation staff member John Musser could be heard repeatedly saying, "All I need is a 69 to win."

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To call or not to call?

by Sharon Loh

All new and returning students living on campus recently discovered the new phone system that was installed just weeks before the academic year started. At first, rumor has

it that SNET was no longer our carrier due to many unpaid bills. During an interview with David Oestreicher, director of Residential Life and Judicial Affairs, he stated that the school's dorms local carrier is still SNET. However, the billing is now being processed by Arizona based Telesoft.

Mr. Oestreicher said that the phone system was developed in response to problems and the needs of the students on campus for the last two years. Though the new phone system had been in negotiation for the last two years, the plan only finalized late this summer.

He said, "students wanted to receive free local calls from on and off campus and also receive international calls but not wanting to hook up with long distance companies such as AT&T, MCI or Sprint." But SNET could not issue pin numbers. According to him, Fairfield, Sacred Heart University, UCON and Indiana State University are a few of the other universities that

uses this system.

With the Student Telephone Services (STS), everyone in the dorms can receive calls from off campus, including international calls without having to pay the hefty amount SNET charges for installation fees. It is stated that there is a flat rate of \$0.14 per minute 24 hours a day for a domestic call. International calls were said to be 40 percent cheaper than the direct dialing rate of SNET. However, according to STS latest international rate database, an international call to places such as Bulgaria, India, China, Malaysia and many other destinations would cost students approximately \$2.50 per minute. This is a rate that is almost four times higher than those offered by other long distance companies.

Also, Mr. Oestreicher mentioned in his letter addressing all students living on campus that students should be saving approximately \$285 through this new phone sys-

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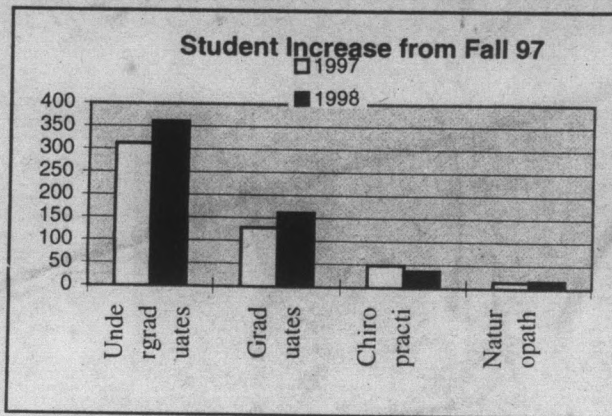
School numbers grow by 14%

by Lucas Mc Cloud

There is a significant growth in the student population this year at UB. Returning students throughout UB are silently wondering, who are all these new faces? Unless you have been in a drug-induced haze as you walk around campus, you should have noticed the increase in the amount of people on line for food in Marina, or how almost all three residence halls are filled to capacity. Most of you new students would not know this, but last year there were actually empty tables in Marina.

How many new faces are there now? There are 576 new students this year, which includes undergraduate, graduate, chiropractic, and naturopathic students. This is a fifteen percent increase over last year's figure. At the freshman level, there are 361 students, also a fifteen percent increase over last year, and at the graduate level, there are 162 students, a twenty-five percent increase over last year.

There is one uncertainty with these numbers though. At this point in the semester, there are only preliminary figures available. Currently, there are students who are still en route to the University, and students who have not received Bursar clearance yet, nor



Admissions' headcount as of Thursday, September 3

measles clearance from the Health Center. These students are not represented in the above numbers, nor can they be accurately estimated into the numbers. This is because the numbers above are based on the actual amount of registered students. Students in any of the above categories are not registered yet. Now that Labor Day weekend have passed, more students have registered, as some students do not return until after that time, due to travel difficulties. Also, once all of the students receive Bursar and/or Health Center clearance, there will be a substantial increase.

At least at the undergraduate level, there will probably be close to 500 new students once everything is said and done. The best guesses so far have put the University's estimated total enrollment at approximately 3,000 students. This means that we can expect things to continue much as they have already, with the exception of longer lines and more waiting periods.

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require that occupants swipe their specially issued ID cards to gain access. This is because the first four floors of the building will be used as a medical center and will be closed at night.

The first floor of the building will host the university health center, and the counseling center. There will also be examination rooms for the College of Chiropractic, where the interns can practice the valuable knowledge that has kept them attached to their books for a long time. Dr. Frank Zolli, dean of College of Chiropractic, told The Scribe, "We are in the process of moving in right now."

The second floor is set to be used for oral treatment as well as examination rooms.

In the future, there is an idea to complete the health center with an acupuncture clinic, and include Naturopathic medicine as the demand for these fields are rapidly growing.

Dr. Chin, executive dean of the health sciences will have his office on the third floor amid the administration for the school of Naturopathy. Space has been set aside for any expansion in the future.

Hopefully, this is the beginning of UB's road back to the glory of former years when we had a large student population, and a campus facilitated enough to support them.

Tight fit in the dorms

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

The flux of new students to UB has put an end to the easy life that resulted from the halls not being filled to capacity.

Right now, every room on campus that can be used is being used. Every bed that can be filled is being filled. David Ostreicher, director of Residential Life, said, "There are maybe six beds for men, and six beds for women left in dormitories."

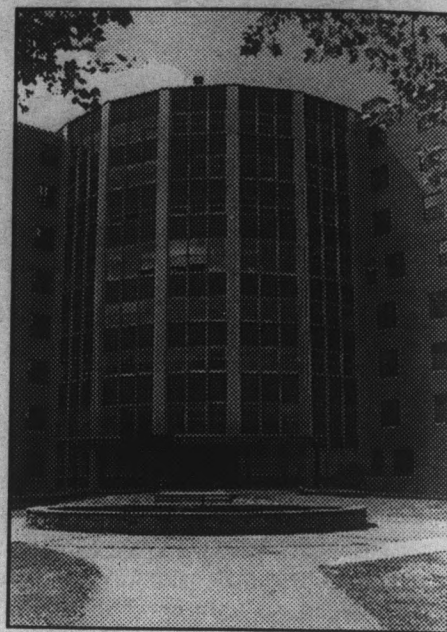
Last semester, when the time to pay the housing deposit rolled around, many students did not pay in advance to book a room. This was because they thought that a room was guaranteed to them as returning students. Unfortunately this was not the case as they discovered when they returned to find strangers' names on their doors.

As a result of this, students were accommodated in buildings and wings that they did not want. When asked whether he had any trouble fitting everyone in, Ostreicher replied, "No, I tried to be as flexible as I could."

The day to start shifting around, room permitting, was set as 9 Sept. However, because many students do not want to move out of the number one rated dorm, Bodine, as it has all the amenities of a T-1 internet connection and is not substance free, body swaps are the most viable option now.

Barnum, being a substance free dorm, has a lot of people who deliberately wanted this environment. It also has a number of people who are there because of parental pressure. Some of these people want to move out at the first opportunity they get. This especially applies some of those on the female only wing of Barnum. An addition to the female (third) floor are combination locks of three digit pins which are now common knowledge.

Seeley hall was refurbished and



Due to the overflow of in-coming students this fall, Warner will now accommodate 50 graduate students on the top two floors

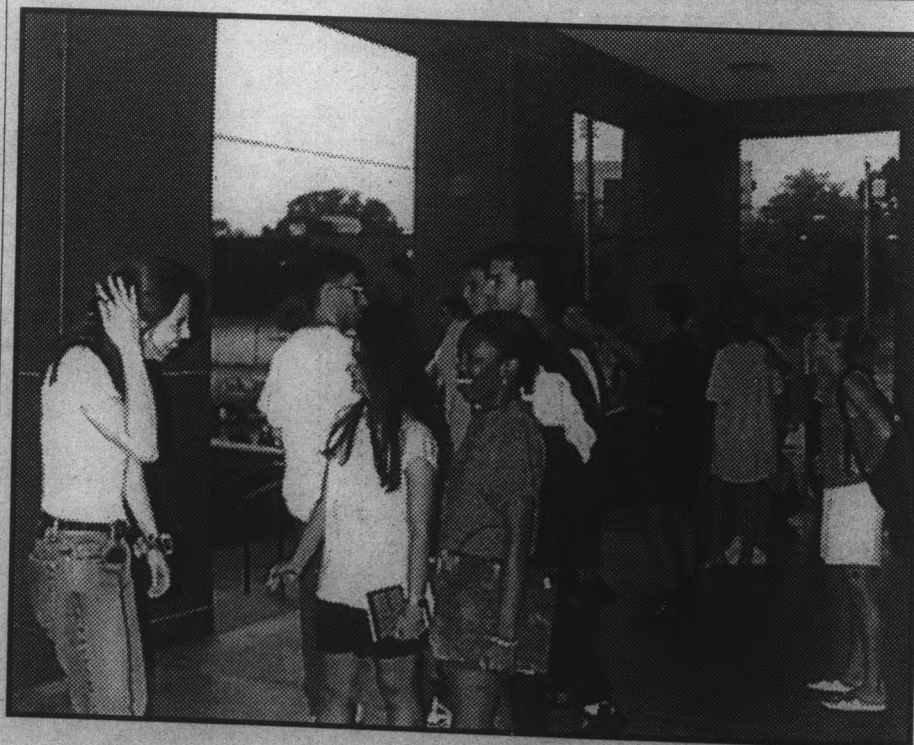
looks good with newly outfitted bathrooms.

As of 4 September, there were about one hundred "no shows," students who were expected but who did not appear. As some students are prone to come back to school only after the Labor Day weekend, this figure is expected to reduce.

This injection of new blood to the dorms is livening things up and there are new faces at the pool and ping pong tables. The only other thing is the long queue to shower in the mornings.



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During a tornado watch last Monday afternoon, September 7, many student gathered in the lobby and the steps on Bodine Hall due to a tornado watch. Normally you take cover in a secure area during a tornado watch. Here we see Bodine residents doing just that.

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ARC, not only for the weak

by Arman Gevorgyan

Contrary to the widespread belief that mostly unsuccessful students use The Academic Resource Center's services, the statistical data gathered demonstrates that a significant portion of its clients have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Ms. Ray commented, "Using the ARC should not be viewed as a last resort, but as an additional tool for academic success."

The center, certified by the College Reading and Learning Association, provides tutoring and academic counseling services to UB students.

Co-directors Roxie Ray and Marianne Tecun, graduate student interns, undergraduate student tutors, and volunteer staff ARC. Ms. Tecun said, "In order to help you help yourselves, we make every effort to select and train our staff in order to better assist each student."

Assistance is available for all core courses, e.g. English 101, Humanities, and Fine Arts. This semester, intern Zhanna Tubis will be overseeing Fine Arts, and intern Tina Thomas will be dealing with Humanities. They both plan to attend the classes, and can in this way stay current with the issues being addressed. The center schedules individual tutoring and regular group study sessions. Students seeking support for non-core classes are usually accommodated.

ARC's staff provides guidance for writing papers and reports as well. During a tutoring session, such issues as topic choosing, brainstorming for contents, or creating an outline can be discussed. The Academic Resource Center also helps its patrons proof-read their papers and issues advice on the grammar and contents.

The center is located in Halsey House at 491 University Avenue, and is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. On Fridays, it is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Students are strongly encouraged to make a half-hour or full-hour appointment beforehand by calling X4290.

The service is good, and the quality high, plus there is no charge for any assistance at The Academic Resource Center.

A weekend getaway from stress

by Seemanti Borkotoky

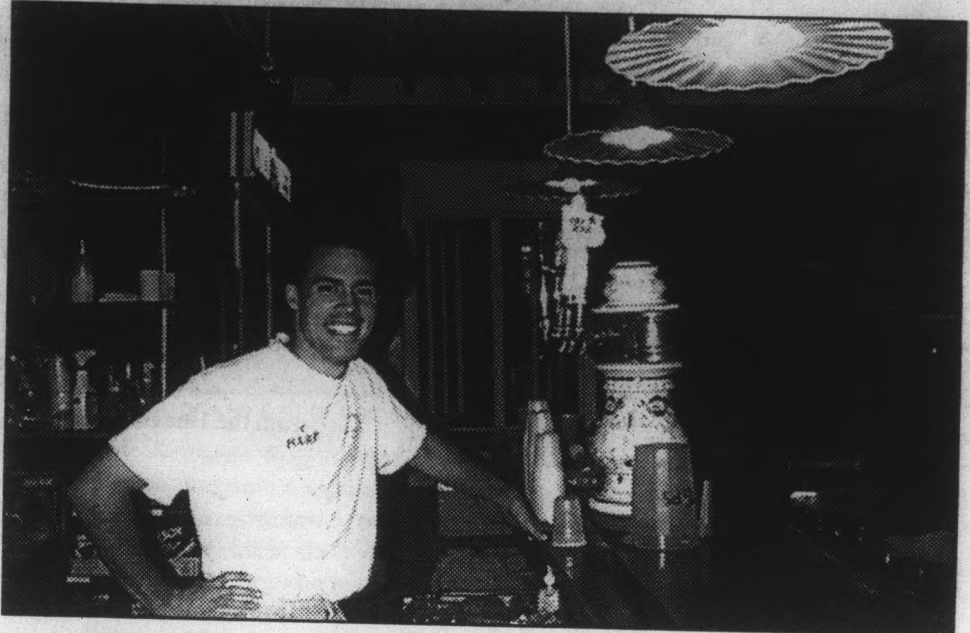
Ever since it was opened last spring, the Rugby House has become sort of a weekend getaway for students. Naing Lynn, a second semester senior, said, "It is a wonderful place to go have a few drinks and just relax over the weekend."

The Connecticut Yankees Athletic Club (CYAC) is a licensed social club which was founded in 1975. The bar, popularly known as the

Rugby House, is located between Barnum and Seeley Halls and is open every weekend from Thursday to Saturday. The Rugby House provides you with a cozy environment in which you can drink, play pool or darts, and enjoy the weekend with your friends. It is especially good for students who are over 21 but are unable to go off-campus to drink due to lack of transportation.

The CYAC started off with a men's rugby team in 1975, and in 1996, they began a men's lacrosse team. Currently their office is in the Rugby House. The house was originally built by Charles Longstaff in 1892, and after his bankruptcy, the house was sold to an heir of P.T. Barnum. UB acquired the house in 1940, and since then, has been used as a dorm, sorority house, and an administrative office. In 1995, the house was leased to the CYAC, and has been since completely refurbished by their members.

The CYAC has a liquor permit, and because it is a social club, they can control who they serve at their parties, thus creating a safer environment. "We want to have a sense of community with the university," said Taylor Berbower, the CFO of the CYAC. "Our mission is to promote as many athletic sports



Taylor Berbower-- CFO/ Director of Connecticut Yankee Athletic Club

as possible under an athletic name." The club is currently looking to start women's soccer, lacrosse, and rugby teams.

A \$10 membership fee and ID proving that you are over 21 are all that is needed in order to become a member. The membership card entitles you to a free CYAC Pub Member T-shirt and you won't need to sign in every time you go there. A member can also sign in a multitude of friends, so that everyone does not actually have to become a member. There are plans to run periodic specials for "card-carrying members" which will cover the membership cost very soon. In addition to this, the Rugby House also plans to have weekend specials for all students, which include \$1 drafts and \$2 shots. The Latin American Club of UB and the Residence Hall Association are planning to hold a party there on Friday, September 11. Students must be eighteen to party, twenty-one to drink.

Adds Kelil Kenzu, "I especially like going there to hang out with my friends and have a couple of beers. It really helps me unwind after a tough week of classes"

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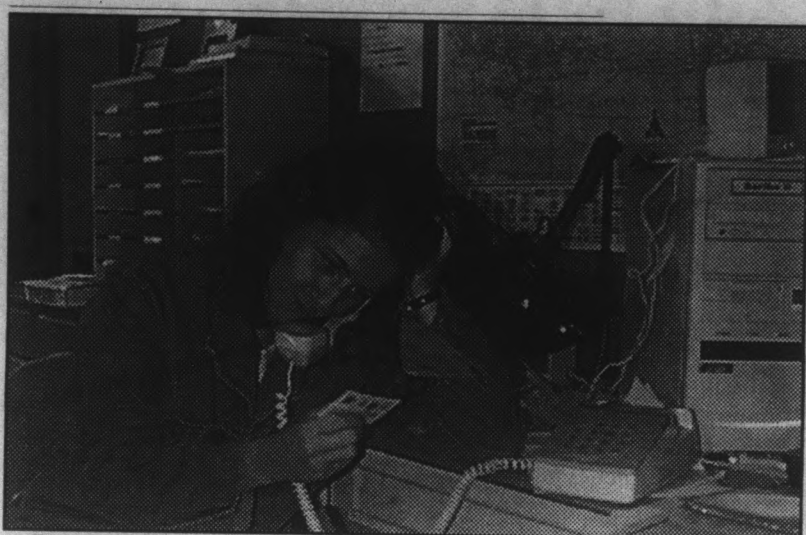
Be a part of the Decorating and/or Welcoming Committee.

They will be arriving on Friday, September 18 from Noon - 7 p.m.,
and will be leaving Bridgeport on Saturday, September 19 between 6:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

A special outdoor dinner will be served in the Ped Mall on Friday!!!

Call Edina at X4487

Phone, from Page 1 long distance company.



Due to the new phone system, students are forced to use calling cards

Domestic calls can also be cheaper with other long distance companies through features such as the \$0.05 per minute or even a dime per minute rate. Thus in the long run, students will actually be paying more rather than saving.

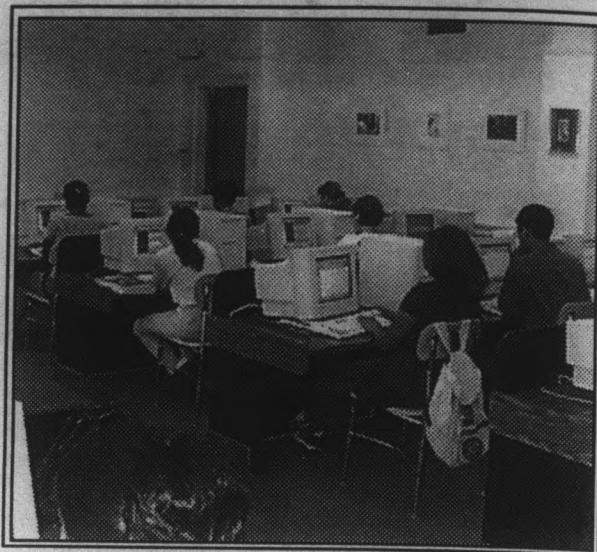
However, when this concern was brought up to Oestreich, he said that he will try to negotiate with SNET to lower the rates. But until then, he suggested students use calling cards.

Currently, STS have installed computers in the basement of the Wahlstrom Library where STS employed workers keep track of the calls being made.

Eventually we will have our own billing system. However, according to Oestreich, the soft-

ware is expensive and this will take some time to be enforced. Until then, STS will still handle the billing process. Other options will soon be available to students, such as voice mail and Caller ID for a fee of \$5 a month.

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The Business School's 20 promised computers have now been installed in the Mandeville Hall Computer Labs. Student IDs are required.

Green card lottery once again

by Sharon Loh

For those international students interested in applying for a permanent residence visa for the U.S., they will have a chance to obtain one come this October.

The United States Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, is again making 50,000 permanent residence visas available to people who meet the eligibility requirements of the U.S. diversity immigration program.

Applicants for diversity visas are initially chosen through a random computer-generated lottery drawing, and visas are apportioned among six geographic regions with a greater number of visas going to regions with lower rates of immigration.

However, students from countries such as Canada, China (mainland and Taiwan), Colombia, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Haiti, India, Jamaica, Mexico, Philippines, Poland, South Korea, United Kingdom (except Northern Ireland), and its dependent territories, and Vietnam will not be eligible. This is because these countries are considered to have been sending more than 50,000 immigrants to the U.S. in the past five years.

Dawn Valenti, director of international affairs, warns interested students to be wary of advertisements for assistance with the application. Most of the "services" require a fee for processing. "This is basically a rip-off! Students should not be paying for assistance. The application is definitely free," says Ms. Valenti.

A student only has to print or type his or her name, date and place of birth, mailing address, and enclose a photograph on a plain sheet of paper. The application will have to be mailed by first class mail. Anything mailed by express or priority mail or any other means of special handling will not be processed.

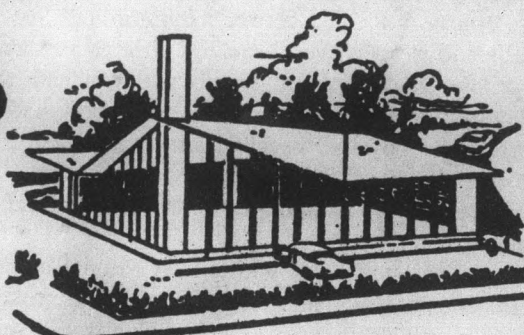
All entries for the DV-2000 diversity visa lottery must be received between 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 1, 1998, and 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31, 1998. Entries received before or after the specified date will be disqualified. Also, only one entry per person is allowed. Those selected will be notified by mail during April to July 1999, and will be provided with further instructions.

For more detailed information on applying, the Visa Bulletin, the newsletter of the United States Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, is available to all students on the second floor, the periodicals section, of the Magnus Wahlstrom Library.

However, due to previous incidents, this particular issue can only be signed out with a student ID and cannot be taken out of the library.

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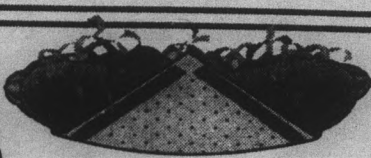
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Campus Life

Changes in employment regulation

by Sharon Loh

Students who have been affected by the financial crisis in Asia may be able to counterbalance their almost-dry source of college funding. In response to the continuing economic crisis in Asia, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and the United States Information Agency (USIA), have recently determined immediate action is necessary to assist international students whose funding comes from sources in South Korea, Malaysia, Indonesia and/or the Philippines.

Returning students with funding from these areas may be eligible for the special Student Relief benefits, which went in effect on June 10. To qualify for these special benefits, students must demonstrate that their funding has decreased due to circumstances beyond their control, and that employment and part-time study is necessary for their continued stay in the U.S. With the approval of the International Affairs Office, students may attend UB part-time while working a maximum of thirty hours per week, on or off-

campus. Those eligible will have to have a minimum of six credits for undergraduate study and three credits for graduate.

International students who have recently demonstrated that they do have sufficient funds, despite the economic crisis in Asia are not eligible.

Students who wish to take advantage of the special Student Relief benefits must fill out an application in the International Affairs Office. Requests to work more than twenty hours per week on-campus will continue to be granted with a campus work permit. An application to the INS will be required for off-campus employment permission for F-1 students.

There will be a \$70 fee to apply, and according to Dawn Valenti, director of international affairs, the application to INS will take time to get approval. With the employment permission will also be approval for part-time study.

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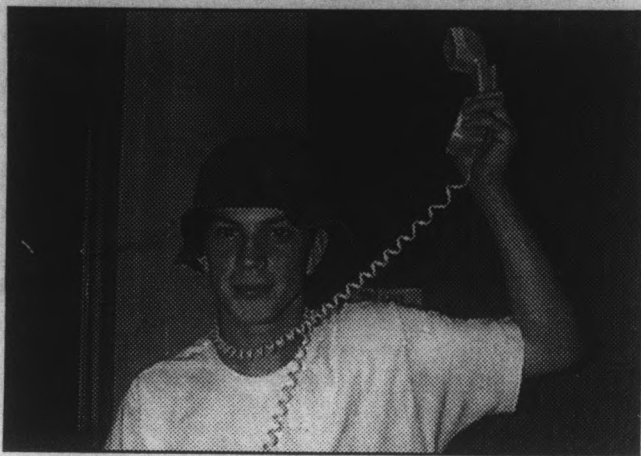
Editorial

Communication breakdown

By now we have all received and probably ignored the letter from the Director of Residential Life, David Oestreicher, in which he spends two pages talking of the multitude of dramatic "improvements" that have taken place this past summer.

Among these improvements, Mr. Oestreicher describes the new on-campus phone system. He believes that this service will benefit students and refers to the cost of the plan used in past years. In the letter, Mr. Oestreicher states that the "new phone system instantly saves each resident approximately \$285.00." To anyone who has dealt with the system in previous years, they would be better able to understand his breakdown. In the figure he gives, Mr. Oestreicher includes a refundable security deposit of \$120 (which is only required of select students who have not yet built a substantial credit history,) and a \$60 reinstallation fee for students who change rooms. Most students do not change rooms (and those who do would most likely not set up a phone line in a room they are planning to abandon).

Already the savings have dropped from \$285 to \$105, which may still sound good until one considers the rates on long distance calling. The service now used on-campus offers an unusually high flat-rate program with rates that, in some international cases,



With the new telephone rates, many are going to find it hard to choke up the cash

triple competitors' prices. The current rate for interstate calls with this service is \$0.14 per minute, compared to such companies as MCI whose rates can dip as low as \$0.05 per minute.

As anybody who grew up in a capitalist society would imagine, this problem might be easily remedied by simply changing long-distance carriers (a common practice in past years). This solution can be forgotten, however, because STS (Student Telephone Services) has been granted a monopoly over our phone system, giving us no choice of which company to patronize.

Mr. Oestreicher made decisions on behalf of all students without attempting to learn more of student opinions. This new system will end up costing many of our international, as well as domestic, students large sums of money. Had Mr. Oestreicher taken a little time to ask students what they desire, or even to consult our representatives in Student Congress, the financial burden of unusually high phone rates could have been alleviated for many residents at UB.

Long hours of waiting for short requests

We all know what a horror it was to register for courses in the fall last year. A fate that was spared to those who were organized enough to register early before the summer started. Alas, history repeated itself this year and the only consolation is, hah! If we had to suffer, then you newcomers should too!

The downside to this rather arbitrary revenge is the fact that even if we had pre-registered in the spring, we still had to put up with the long lines comparable to the length of the Great Wall of China, if only to get clearance from the Bursar to sample Marina's gourmet delicacies.

I see you nodding when I expound on the dreary wait in queues that seemed to stretch to Venus and back. Those same queues that certain people had the audacity (not to be blamed too much), to jump. What about those people who would see friends walking in and would issue invites to join them there in the middle of the line? I say feed them to the skunks who skulk around in front Chaffee Hall at night. By the way, can skunks skulk, or do they slink in the shadows?

Anyway, to forge on about the elasticity of the lines. Was it just me or did each person take an age to state their business, bow low, and exit? I mean exactly how long does it take to say, "I paid my bill, and I would like a clearance form." I appreciate the reality in that it takes a tremendous amount of energy to move your fingers over a

keyboard and pull up some information on a screen. Then there is the flexing of the biceps as you curl your fingers around a stamp and squash it flat on a piece of very pretty, white paper. But please keep in mind that it is hard to check into the dorms as a returning student before 10:00 a.m., and then to ignore the aches of sitting hours in a car, bus, train, or plane seat just to be able to join the hordes in line waiting for some supper, or breakfast in the morning. I say when you are packing to come back from Texas, Mexico, Japan, or Timbuktu, ditch the new can of roach killer for a good packet of macaroni and cheese. Prioritize, food before insecticide.

This year, there was supposed to be a better system in place than last year, as registration was to take place in the spacious Hubbell Gymnasium, but that idea was squelched by the SNET strike. A strike that forced many students to wait in the heat, hatless and destitute. Hungry for not just a taste of home, but also for a good juicy Denny's burger. Oh the injustice!

That said, hopefully this vicious cycle will end. Here's faith in that next time around, there will be more administrative staff to process everyone quickly. That way, there will be no need to wonder whether killing, whoever it is that you are waiting to see, can count as justifiable murder.

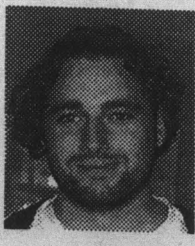
Sports On The Spot

What do you think of the new telephone system in the dormitories?



"It's not fair for international students. On the other hand, it's great that everyone has his/her own separate account and easy access, but we still need the right of choice."

Eduardo Kim



"It's bad and good. It is inconvenient, the rates are too expensive. But, now at least you can make local calls and receive calls without installation and other fees, and you never worry about roommates leaving you with a killer phone bill."

Bryan Barrett



"I think that we should have been asked first before the decision was made. My phone system was working for me. No one seems to take into consideration what the students needs are they do what they think is good for the college."

Nicole Powell



"I think the system is really pathetic. The rates are exorbitant, and there is nothing the students could do about it. It is somewhat a monopoly when we cannot choose our own long distance carrier. The students were not asked before this system was implemented."

Su-Lin Lim



"It's good that we don't have to pay installation fees, but on the other hand, international rates are outrageously high. So the best thing to do is keep this system and use another long distance carrier."

Diana Vaptzarova



"What a rip-off!"

Puneet Batra



"I think it is a huge mistake and it's definitely unfair for international students due to exorbitant international rates. Some of them have increased up to 400%."

Fabiola Trivino



"I find the system to be easier and more convenient, but the prices are more expensive."

Diana Fuller

Letters to the editors

Freedom to choose long distance carriers

Does too much freedom of choice present an unsolvable dilemma? It certainly did not present quite a predicament if you are a director of student affairs in a given university. Freedom of choice could be given to a nation with a clear goal in mind, or at least some common sense of responsibility, none of which is characteristic of majority of the student body, which go by the proud name of being 'young and reckless.'

In the first couple of years, which at times stretches out to be the entire four year of your undergrad, many students have trouble keeping up with their assignments in between the wild outburst of partying and socializing, that means forget being responsible with paying off your bills on time or paying them at all, which brings us to the inevitable of increased control over daily life of students, be it in the form of a mandatory phone service or other restrictions to come.

Now that we all face the consequences of our own or our neighbor's recklessness, we are all equal as far as paying our phone bill. "Egalite et liberte" raved the masses at the barricades of the French revolution. But does equality really apply in selecting your phone service? The rates for everyone are equal: 14 cents per minute during the off peak hours, which is about 40 percent higher than what Sprint or

AT&T would offer. That is not taking into consideration the trouble of international students who are stuck with 200 percent or higher increase of cost in their calls overseas, and mind you that all of us are equally limited to \$100 of spending per billing period, whether you normally spend \$150 and pay off your bill or \$87 and don't pay. Unless you have no credit history what so ever, you might have to pay a security deposit along with a higher installation fee then the already existing phone service in your room does save you a few bucks. But most of the time you wouldn't have to pay it anyway.

O.K., students do need some kind of merit, and if we are to have the \$100 limit and the mandatory phone service maybe it could be our base, our local primary service, as

SNET was until now. From there everyone will be free to choose his or her own carrier that would best save the money whether on calling California at five cents-per-minute, Malaysia at \$0.63 or Russia at \$0.55 per-minute.

This might not be the best or the most realistic suggestion, however anything is better than having someone make the choice for you, even as insignificant and small as choosing a phone service for as history teaches us: you never know what will become mandatory next.

Ana Kleshleskaya

A message from the R.H.A

Hello and welcome to every body, I hope you all had a blast this summer and that you are ready and full of energy in order to make this campus become alive once again. As you should have already noticed, the biggest class in many years, 300 new people, surrounds us and most, if not all of the old people, graduated and took with them a great part of all this laziness towards progress and pessimistic feelings about the place where we live.

But just before I get emotional, let me introduce myself to you. I am the newly elected President of the Residence Hall Association, which is the united body of all resident students. My most important duty, in between some other matters, is to promote understanding and unity on campus for the benefit of all students and a healthy social, recreational and educational environment for all residents.

In other words, a little bit more explanatory, I am here to try to make your and my life better and more enjoyable. Now, the answer on how to make this possible lies simply on your involvement with all the University activities. We all realize that intellectuality is what has gathered us all at this place, but tell me, is it not also important to develop your social life? Do you actually want to be locked to your books and your computer all day long, for an entire year? If your answer is yes I love my non-social life, good for you. On the other hand, if you do

want to have fun and get involved in all that happens around you besides academic excellency, stand up on your feet and join the different clubs, Greek governments, residential governments, parties, debates, and anything you believe is worth your time.

Soon there will be government elections, and I encourage you to participate in them. If you believe you are a leader, if you believe in change and want to promote union and fun around this place, you are the right individual.

Finally, let me remind you that we do have the means to progress, we have the power and the movement. All we need is the people and the will of all of you, that desire that will catapult us to the top. Let us stand together for a better year, let us be the ones that changed the University of Bridgeport forever, we are U.B.!

Alejandro Gonzalez
Resident Hall Association President
gonale@bridgeport.edu



Welcome new students! Welcome back returning students!

I can remember my college days and how I felt at the beginning of each new academic year. I remember having conflicting feelings - that of hating to see my favorite season (summer) drawing to a close and yet anxious to get back to school to see my friends again and enjoy "college life". It is therefore with some understanding (and envy!) of what it is like for you, either returning back to U.B. or first starting your college career. Excitement, fear, challenge, anxiety, enthusiasm, homesickness - are but a few of the adjectives that I suspect describe how you are feeling.

Going to college is quite an experience! If you are a freshman you will learn a lot this year. If you are a senior, you know that you have learned a lot at U.B., and you know that there is still more to be learned.

I'm glad you are at U.B. for it is quite a wonderful place! Take advantage of all that we have to offer, and expect to experience, at times, "ups and downs" and conflicting feelings.

Please remember that we have terrific and caring professors, administrators and staff. Learn to take advantage of all the support services available to you on campus, from the Academic Resource Center to the Counseling Center, and everywhere in-between.

Have a great year! Please stop by and say "hi," (Student Center, room 114).

Sincerely,

Janet Merritt
Dean of Students

(P.S. Summer does not officially end until September 22nd!)

This article was scheduled to be printed previously in the Orientation issue, August 29, 1998. But due to unforeseen circumstances the letter was omitted

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When it is time to leave

You finally make it to class on time, and you have your readings done too. That fifteen page paper due in two days is researched, typed, spell-checked, and a complete masterpiece. The only thing left to do is sit and wait for the professor to come and share his wealth of wisdom with you and the other 25 people in the class. But, alas, the professor is late. The dilemma is now whether to sit around and wait for the tardy professor, or walk out of class and catch up on some much needed sleep.

Believe it or not, there is an unspoken courtesy rule that applies to situations like this. It is not something that can be referred to in the erstwhile Key to UB because this has been a tradition that has survived the ages. Usually, the least a student can do is to wait ten minutes. There are emergencies that may arise like unusually heavy traffic, getting caught in a snowstorm or a car break-down. If you, as a student, want to explain a late arrival because of things like that, then it is only fair that the professor can do the same.

of respect, it is advised to wait for an associate professor for at least fifteen minutes before leaving. Wait for a full professor twenty minutes, and then take off to hear that CD that has been lying undisturbed in its case for two months.

There are circumstances when you might want to consider waiting longer. By virtue of this "informal understanding that goes on in many universities and colleges," as Richard Allen, Charles A. Dana endowed professor calls it, for someone like President Rubenstein or a guest professor from Yale, wait longer. It is to be hoped anyway that people would not be kept waiting unnecessarily.

This bit of folklore comes from the before the fifties, "And may even go back further, hundreds of years," said Prof. Allen. It seems to be an oral tradition that has preserved itself over time, and at present, Brown University and Syracuse University also abide by it.

If you are lucky, or unlucky, enough to have a professor come to class late without giving prior warning, have the grace to wait a while and ignore that whisper that you hear in you ears, calling you catch up on some sleep.

What's on our back-to-school list

Take a peek into the backpacks of students making their way to college campuses this month and you're likely to see more than pencils and notebooks. According to a national survey of college students, laptop computers and wireless phones took two of the top five spots on today's back-to-school list.

When asked about back-to-school essentials, college students rank these technology items ahead of old-standbys like cars, refrigerators, microwaves and even credit cards.

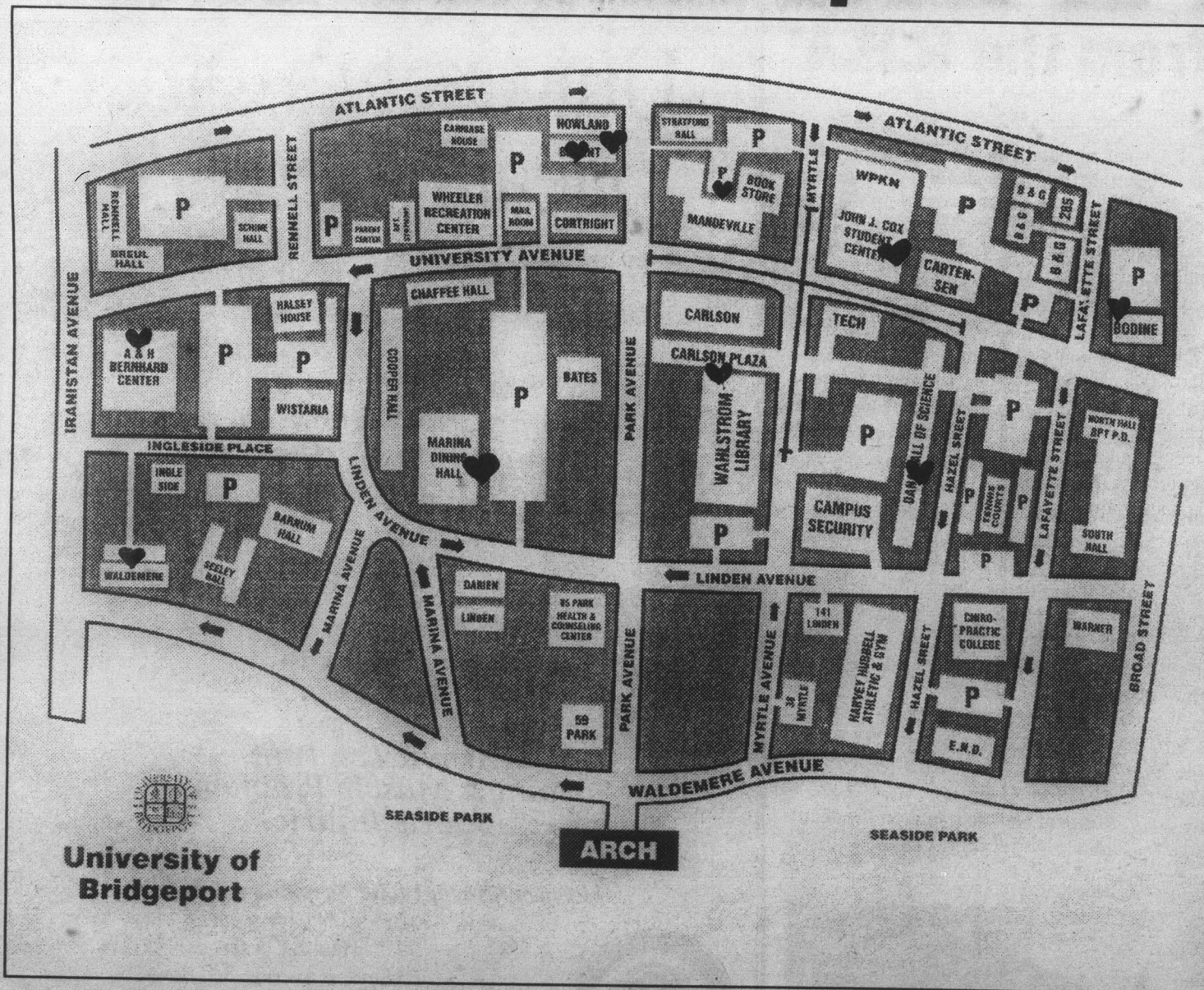
In a survey commissioned by Sprint PCS, sixty-six percent of college students say a computer is the most important back-to-school item, followed by a calculator, radio/stereo, television and wireless phone. Contrasted with the top five items deemed most important during

their own college days – notebooks, pens/pencils, reference books, clothing and radio/stereo – today's student are amply "wired," according to the survey.

"Technology continues to make college students' lives easier and more efficient in class and at home," said Janet Farrer Worthington, co-author of the Ultimate College Survival Guide. "Today's technology is advancing on college campuses so much that wireless phones are even surpassing the pager that was so popular in the last decade."



Top 10 make-out spots on campus



9. Bryant Hall - Behind Bryant Hall, on the Atlantic Street side, there is a fairly nice and quiet, little spot for anxious couples who want to get to know each other better.

8. The Scribe Office - Right next to the Scribe office, there is a window leading out to the roof of the Student Center. From here, no one can see you.

7. Mandeville Annex - Behind the UB Bookstore, and within the Mandeville "U," there is a great smooching and cuddling site, devoid of people and noise.

6.A Certain Director of Residential Life's Apartment (we won't say which one) - Just Kidding. No nookie allowed in here.

5. Dana Hall - On Hazel Avenue, right next to the tennis courts, there are several trees with overhanging boughs and branches, which provide an excellent hiding place.

4. **Waldemere** - The park in between Waldemere House and Seeley Hall has a stone wall that has a great corner, and what softer carpet is there than that of soft grass?

3. **Library** - Near high wall facing Park Avenue, next to where all the shrubbery starts, there is a couple of concrete benches curled in a corner wall. Lying down, there is no way that anyone can see men with women there.

2. Arnold Bernhard Center -
The eighth floor gives a spectacular view of the Long Island Sound, especially at sunset...or later.

1. The President's Desk - This is the ultimate aphrodisiac for Romeos and Juliets alike. Security is tough to get by, but it is worth the effort. The desk is very sturdy and perfect for two.

Campus Life

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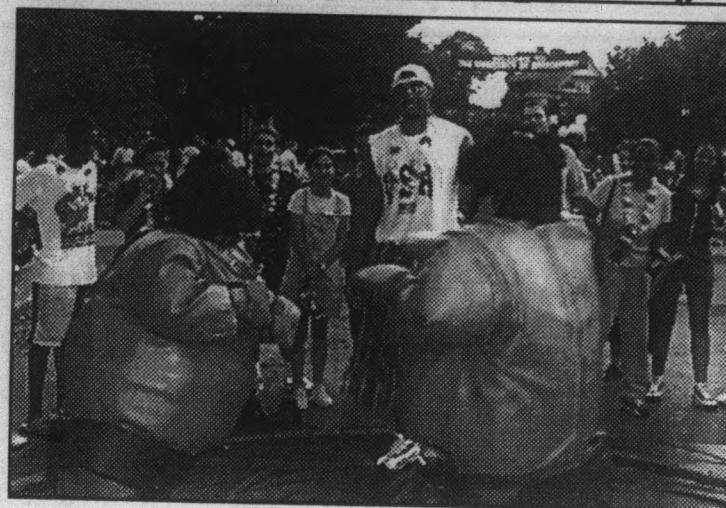
Orientation, from Page 1

The Bronx Zoo and New York City trip was probably one of the two best events during orientation. Students were taken from UB to the Bronx Zoo, where they were allowed to roam for several hours among the animals before heading into the city to roam around with the animals there.

No doubt many were disappointed to find out that



While some didn't participate, they quite enjoyed themselves



Students cheered the sumo-wrestling matches on loudly

Times Square had been cleaned up, ruining any chance of sex, drugs, and rock-and-roll. Still, many found the trip to be exciting enough without sex shops and drug dealers.

"The New York trip was the best. We had a lot of time to look around the city," said Gleb Popov, a new transfer student.

The W.O.W. concluded with a carnival hosted by Dean Merritt on Sunday, August 30. Everyone gathered outside of the Student Center for food, fun, and games. A

DJ provided dance music all night long, and UB students could re-live their youth by jumping in the bouncing castle, or they could take out their aggressions on their friends and enemies alike at the sumo-wrestling contest.

There was also a cotton candy booth for those who like sticky things. No matter what you enjoyed doing though, everyone lined up to watch and laugh at David Oestreicher falling into the dunk tank numerous times.

Art on display

Kaz McCue, Manager of the University Gallery is enthusiastic about introducing the current and forthcoming exhibits displayed in the Arnold Bernhard Center. Says Mr. McCue, "The gallery is host to many exciting and diverse art exhibitions."

Many students may already be familiar with the gallery and its goals, but for those who are hearing about it for the first time, it offers a free exhibit of various modern art pieces. Shows last about four or five weeks, and are open to the public. Each exhibition is posted in The Scribe, The Connecticut Post, and various other local publications.

Currently on display is the work of Japanese artist Hirokazu Fukawa, entitled "After Trinity." The piece is based on the nuclear test explosion at the Trinity site in New Mexico, 1945, capturing the experience with audio, video, and lighting effects. Fukawa will be in the gallery on Saturday, September 12 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. to explain and answer questions about his work.

Upcoming exhibits will include a collection of work from the Nanjing Children's Art Association in China, a display of Connecticut landscapes, a retrospective of the work of senior American painter Stan Brodsky, and an Invitational Showcase featuring the work of several contemporary artists.

University Gallery Hosts First Showing of Artist

L. T. Plato

"After Trinity" is an sculptural exhibition based on the first Nuclear Explosion in New Mexico. Hirokazu Fukawa, a professor of Art at the University of Hartford, will be at an artist's reception on Saturday September 12, from 2 to 5 p.m.

The exhibition opened on Wednesday, September 2, and will continue until Saturday, September 26. The artist's reception is open to all and the exhibition itself is free.

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The Commission on Institutions of Higher Education is one of the eight accrediting commissions in the United States that provide regional accreditation for institutions of higher education.

The team will undertake a comprehensive institutional evaluation visit at the University. Such visits are conducted once every ten years for all of the approximately 200 institutions which are located in the six-state New England region and accredited by NEASC.

The University of Bridgeport has been accredited by the Commission since 1952 and its last comprehensive institutional evaluation took place in 1988. The University's accreditation by the New England Association applies to the entire institution.

Since spring 1997, the University has been engaged in a process of self-study, addressing the Commission's published Standards for Accreditation. One purpose of the upcoming visit by the evaluation team will be to gather evidence to affirm that the self-study is thorough and accurate.

Following the November visit, the members of the team will recommend a continuing accreditation status for the University of Bridgeport to the Commission; following a review process, the Commission itself will take the final decision.

This announcement is to invite the public to submit comments regarding the University of Bridgeport's continuing accreditation to:

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Comments are required to address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution.

Comment which are submitted will not be treated as confidential.

Written, signed comments must be received by November 18, 1998. The Commission cannot guarantee that comments received after that date will be considered. Comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person making the comments.

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1998 UB WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent
Tuesday, September 9, 7:00 p.m.	at New York Tech
Thursday, September 10, 7:00 p.m.	ALBERTUS MAGNUS
Saturday, September 12, 1:00 p.m.	at Dominican
Tuesday, September 15, 7:00 p.m.	at St. Joseph (Hartford)
Monday, September 21, 7:00 p.m.	at Yale JVs
Tuesday, September 29, 7:00 p.m.	TEIKYO POST

1998 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

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Men soccer team prepares for the season

by Dale Carnegie

Head coach of the men's and women's soccer team, Joe Barroso is back for another season. Coach Barroso led the Purple Knights to an outstanding 1997 season. The men's soccer team surpassed all expectations last year. Coach Barroso and his massive squad of athletes are looking to pick up right where they left off last season. This year's soccer team is younger, but just as intense as last year.

Coach Barroso did an outstanding job of recruiting in the off-season. This year's team is composed of some very talented athletes. According to Coach Barroso, "This team is very young, but very good."

Coach Barroso recruited two goal keepers, freshmen Adam Dodge and Adelino Barata this past summer. Oliver Koneth from Columbus, Ohio, and Scott Bickart from New Rochelle, NY, are two top recruited backfield specialists. Walter Gomez and Steindor Gislason are two highly-recruited mid-field players. These outstanding newcomers will no doubt bring a lot of energy and excitement to the game.

The men's soccer team has some of their top players from last year return-

ing for another run at the championship. Magnus Nilerud and Simon Kay were both second team All-Conference Players last year. These two powerhouse players will lead the charge on the field. Alex Pino, Atintunde Akinsanya, and Freddy Duque are all highly-experienced players that will be back for another season. Coach Barroso is very fortunate to have the experience and talent that these players bring to the field.

This mixture of youth and experience will be UB's greatest advantage this season. The members of the soccer team have extremely high expectations for themselves this season. Their desire to win, combined with outstanding coaching by Coach Barroso will make this team very tough to beat this season. According to Coach Barroso, "This team is very good, and we have the potential to do extremely well this season, if we can avoid injuries."

The UB men's soccer team obtained a record of 8-6 last season. What the soccer team accomplished last year was considered by most very respectable. Coach Barroso has his eyes set on so much more this season.

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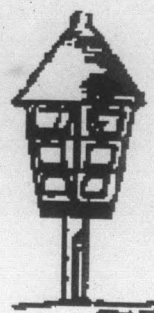
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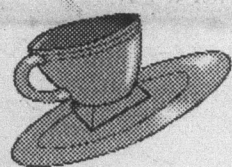
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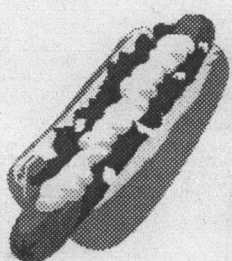
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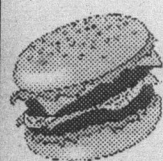


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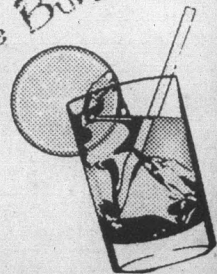
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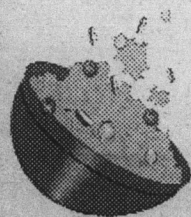
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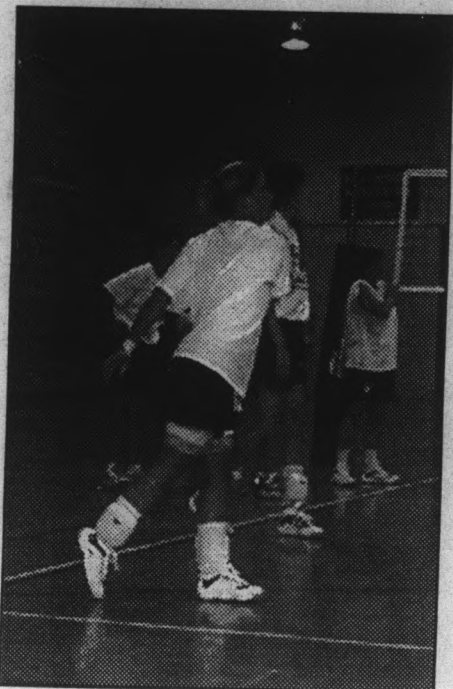
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Sports

Volleyball starts season with big hopes



Preparing for Thursday, when they meet Albertus Magnus

The Lady Knights' volleyball season will soon be on its way, and with strong recruiting this summer, they are hoping for more success, and respect

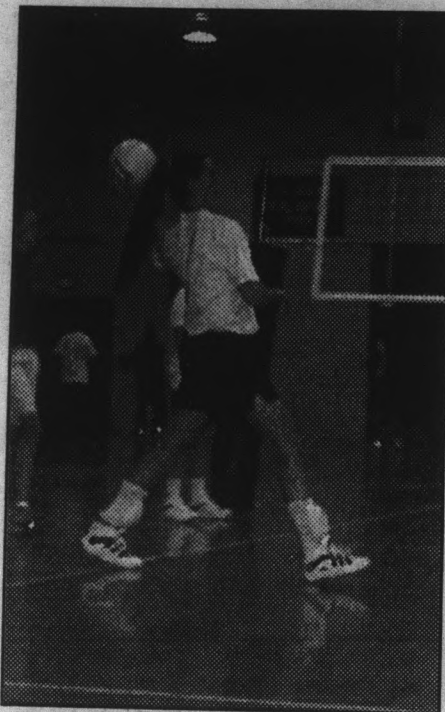
by Paul Kular

from their rivals in the division. The women have shown encouraging signs in practice; it seems that they are getting the feel for each other and will be well prepared for the regular season. It is going to be a hard-fought season, but the women's volleyball team is ready and willing to accept the challenge. The Lady Knights are big up front, quick in the back and versatile throughout the bench.

As they train hard in the pre-season, some of their earlier games may depict the outcome of their season. However, teams that start off slow are also known to become dominant as the season progresses.

The NECC is a highly competitive division. In order to achieve success this season, the women will have to orchestrate and execute a well-devised play-book that will allow them to block any smashes, and drop shots on their competitors. Players like Valerie Steen will have to show leadership and talent to motivate the younger players on the roster. It is extremely important in any team sport for there to be a cohesiveness among the players and a strong knowledge for the game. It is

UB tradition to have strong player relations, and this is a quality that is always encouraged by the UB coaching staffs.



Valerie Steen will show leadership to motivate younger players

UB 1998 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL ROSTER

No.	Player	Year	Position	Hometown
1	Emily Onyango	Jr	OH	Bronx, NY
3	Noelia Quiroga	Jr	OH	Lima, Peru
7	Katie Rossiter	Jr	DS	Redding, CA
8	Julie Jarvis	Soph	S	Buffalo, WY
9	Jamie Sinal	Fr	DS	Stratford, CT

10	Hitomi Hayashi	Sr	MH	Iwaki, Japan
11	Sarah Harrison	Jr	DS/S	Fernley, NV
12	Valerie Steen	Soph	OH	Bellrose, NY
13	Lisa Mueller	Fr	MH	Anaheim Hills, CA
14	Tamara Bronson	Soph	DS/OH	Roscoe, IL
Head Coach - Debra Larson,				
Assistant Coach - Lias Toto				

Men's soccer open 1998 Season

by Marko Ventura

At the St. Michael's Invitational Tournament, the UB men's soccer team kicked off their 1998 season against St. Anselm College. After a rough start, the Purple Knights found themselves down by one.

Shortly after St. Anselm scored, UB rallied back to tie the game when Lucas sent a ball down the line to Henrik Johnsson who chipped the ball up and over the goalie's head with his left foot. But UB once again found themselves down by one in the second half when St. Anselm scored after a scramble in the eighteen yard box. Late in the game, captain Magnus Nilerud's free kick that grazed the cross bar proved to be UB's last chance as they fell 2-1.

On Sunday, UB faced St. Michael's College. UB fell behind two goals before the end of the first half. After some inspirational words from coach Joe Barroso, Nilerud, and Simon Kay at the halftime intermission, the game turned around drastically. UB came out to dominate the second half. In the sixteenth minute of the half, Marko Ventura scored off of a pass from Walter Gomez. Despite their strong half and some powerful play by Nilerud in the last minutes, UB fell to St. Michael's 2-1.

Oliver Koneth, Freddy Duque and Magnus Nilerud were named to the All-Tournament Team.

The Purple Knights open their regular season on September 16 against Stoneybrook.

Women's soccer kicks off

by Sara Warfield

The Purple Knights women's soccer team opened their new season this weekend at the St. Michael's Invitational Tournament. The team looked to follow up on their outstanding 1997 season when they finished 11-4-1, the best finish in UB women's soccer history.

The Purple Knight's first game of the tournament came against the College of St. Rose. Bad luck struck first and Carina Knutson left the game with an ankle injury in the first two minutes of the game. The team kept their heads up and scored first on a free kick by captain Linda Ohlander. Fatigue took its toll, however, as the Knights only had one substitute and St. Rose won a close game 2-1.

The team came back with a vengeance the next day against the home-standing St. Michael's College. After falling two goals behind, the women pulled out a spectacular comeback. With twelve minutes remaining, Liz Fallon pounded in an Ohlander corner kick. Six minutes later, Ohlander knotted the score on a free kick to send the game into overtime. Four minutes into overtime, Ohlander scored on a free kick and was soon after mobbed

by ecstatic head coach Joe Barroso and her exhausted team-mates.

"We had barely enough legs to fit the field," said captain Jen Svelnys, eluding to the lack of players. Normally a midfielder, Julie Jarvis substituted for sick goalkeeper Anna Ljungbergand, playing in goal for her first time in eight years. She played an outstanding game and recorded several spectacular saves, including a high shot in the first minute of overtime.

"We played as a team and we played with heart," Svelnys said.

Svelnys, Ohlander, and sweeper Jenny Johansson were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Assistant coach Kim Schilke was also very proud of the team's efforts and has high expectations for the remainder of the season.

"We have several first year players," she said. "Jenny Johansson is a very skilled player and Camilla Hansson improves every time she steps onto the field."

UB's first game is September 14 at Elms College. The Knight's first home game is September 26 against defending national champions Franklin Pierce.

1998 UB MEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent
Wednesday, September 16, 4:00 p.m.	at Stony Brook
Saturday, September 19, 3:30 p.m.	at New Hampshire College
Wednesday, September 23, 4:30 p.m.	at New Jersey Tech
Saturday, September 26, 2:00 p.m.	FRANKLIN PIERCE
Monday, September 28, 3:30 p.m.	at St. Thomas Aquinas
Wednesday, September 30, 3:30 p.m.	at Teikyo Post

1998 UB WOMEN'S SOCCER SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent
Monday, September 14, 3:30 p.m.	at Elms College
Saturday, September 19, 1:00 p.m.	at New Hampshire College
Tuesday, September 22, 3:30 p.m.	at St. Thomas Aquinas
Saturday, September 26, 12:00 p.m.	FRANKLIN PIERCE